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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Office of Scientific Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Proposed Project on "World Atlas of Epidemiology of Cereal Stem Rust and Potato Late Blight"

1. I recommend a more thorough review of related research projects than is given in the attached draft. Specifically, I believe that it is necessary to relate this project to the following:

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- b. OSI-24-51; OSI-18-52; OSI-39-53; DDI-15-54; on Biological Warfare conducted by the Department of Agriculture at a cost to date of approximately \$150,000.
- c. A paper on Potato Blight in the USSR produced by OSI about eighteen months ago.

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If its work has been satisfactory on the previous Biological Warfare contracts, is it not reasonable to continue all Biological Warfare work with that contractor in view of its probable familiarity with the Agency's requirements, methods of research, and so on? On the other hand, if work in the previous contracts has not been satisfactory, this should be known so that other Offices in the Agency will not enter into contracts with it.

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